

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 20, 1925.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Engrossed Bills, have had S. B. No. 184 carefully examined and compared, and find same correctly engrossed.

STRONG, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 20, 1925.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Engrossed Bills, have had S. B. No. 236 carefully examined and compared, and find same correctly engrossed.

STRONG, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 20, 1925.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Engrossed Bills, have had S. B. No. 238 carefully examined and compared, and find same correctly engrossed.

STRONG, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 20, 1925.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Engrossed Bills, have had S. B. No. 215 carefully examined and compared, and find the same correctly engrossed.

STRONG, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 20, 1925.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Engrossed Bills, have had S. B. No. 310 carefully examined and compared, and find the same correctly engrossed.

STRONG, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 20, 1925.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Engrossed Bills, have had S. B. No. 148 carefully examined and compared, and find the same correctly engrossed.

STRONG, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 20, 1925.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on En-

grossed Bills, have had S. B. No. 232 carefully examined and compared, and find the same correctly engrossed.

STRONG, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 20, 1925.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Enrolled Bills, have had S. B. No. 5 carefully examined and compared, and find the same correctly enrolled, and have this day at 11:45 o'clock a. m. presented same to the Governor for her approval.

FLOYD, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 20, 1925.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Enrolled Bills, have had S. B. No. 6 carefully examined and compared, and find the same correctly enrolled, and have this day at 11:45 o'clock a. m. presented same to the Governor for her approval.

FLOYD, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 20, 1925.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Enrolled Bills, have had S. B. No. 31 carefully examined and compared, and find the same correctly enrolled, and have this day at 11:45 o'clock a. m. presented same to the Governor for her approval.

FLOYD, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 20, 1925.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Enrolled Bills, have had S. B. No. 169 carefully examined and compared, and find the same correctly enrolled, and have this day at 11:45 o'clock a. m. presented same to the Governor for her approval.

FLOYD, Chairman.

THIRTY-FIRST DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas,
Saturday, Feb. 21, 1925.
The Senate met at 10 o'clock a. m. pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Miller.

The roll was called, a quorum being present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Bailey.	Murphy.
Berkeley.	Parnell.
Bowers.	Pollard.
Davis.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Hardin of Erath.	Strong.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Triplett.
Miller.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Smith.
Parr.	Wirtz.
Russek.	

Absent—Excused.

Holbrook.	Stuart.
Lewis.	Ward.

Prayer by Dr. Owers of Austin.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, the same was dispensed with on motion of Senator Davis.

Senator Bailey moved a call of the Senate for the purpose of maintaining a quorum pending the disposal of the local bills and bills on third reading. The motion was duly seconded, and was adopted.

Excused.

Senators Holbrook, Wirtz and Russek for today, on account of important business, on motion of Senator Bailey.

Senator Smith for today, on motion of Senator Moore of Hunt.

Bills and Resolutions.

By Senator Fairchild:

S. B. No. 360, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 20, Chapter 118, Special Laws passed at the Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, the same being a special road law for Cherokee County, Texas, providing the method of handling funds derived from road district bonds, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Highways and Motor Traffic.

By Senator Wood:

S. B. No. 361, A bill to be entitled "An Act to permit the catching of sucker, buffalo, carp and shad during the months of July, August and

September in the Counties of Burnet and Williamson; prescribing a penalty, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

House Bill No. 53.

(By unanimous consent.)

Senator Moore of Cooke called up S. B. No. 156, from the table, and the House Bill No. 53, being the same subject matter, was considered in lieu thereof.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 53, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3691 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas, by adding that conviction of a felony should not disqualify a witness from testifying."

The bill was read third time, and Senator Moore of Cooke offered the following amendments, severally, which were read and adopted:

Amend the bill by inserting the words "in civil cases" after the word "testify" on page 1, line 24.

Amend the caption of the bill by adding the words "in civil cases" after the word "testify" in line 20, page 1.

H. B. No. 53 was then passed to third reading.

Senate Bill No. 148.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

S. B. No. 148, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 39 (Thirty-nine), under Section 1 of House Bill No. 136 (one hundred and thirty-six), being Chapter 168 of the General Laws passed at the Regular Session of the Thirty-eighth Legislature, relative to public roads and highways, so as to except and exempt from the said chapter, the said county of Bowie, Texas."

The bill was read third time and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Bailey.	Murphy.
Berkeley.	Parnell.
Bledsoe.	Price.
Bowers.	Real.
Davis.	Reid.
Fairchild.	Strong.
Floyd.	Triplett.
Hardin of Erath.	Witt.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Wood.
Moore of Hunt.	Woodward.
Moore of Cooke.	

Absent.

Holbrook.	Russek.
Miller.	Smith.
Parr.	Wirtz.
Pollard.	

Absent—Excused.

Lewis.	Ward.
Stuart.	

Senate Bill No. 184.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

S. B. No. 184, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 4980, Chapter 1, Title 72 of the 1911 Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas by providing that all written contracts whatsoever, which may in any way directly or indirectly violate the preceding Article by stipulating for a greater rate of interest than eight per cent per annum shall be void, and providing that all laws, or parts of laws in conflict herewith are hereby repealed."

The bill was read third time and passed finally.

Executive Message.

PROCLAMATION OF MIRIAM A. FERGUSON DISAPPROVING AND VETOING SENATE BILL NO. 175.

To the Thirty-ninth Legislature, composed of the Texas State Senate and the House of Representatives:

Gentlemen: This is to officially advise that I have this, the 21st day of February, 1925, disapproved and vetoed Senate Bill No. 175, being an Act by the Thirty-ninth Legislature relating to the railroad transportation and generally known as the "Free Pass Bill;" and my reasons for so doing are:

While I do not question the sincerity of those who voted for this measure, yet I feel that if this bill was to become a law that the sainted Jim Hogg has lived in vain. Though I regret to differ with some of my friends whose purpose I do not question, yet in my opinion the free pass proposition is wrong in principle.

As a matter of public policy there is good reason for railroad employes and their families who maintain the railroads, and for peace officers who protect the rights and property of our citizens to ride upon a free pass. But

the case of members of the Legislature and their families being permitted to accept free transportation from the railroads involves a different principle.

Let us state the proposition in another way and see if the principle stated is not correct. Let it be understood that nobody wants a free pass except for the reason that it saves to the party riding the free pass a money consideration. If there was no money to be saved by the transaction, nobody would give the snap of their finger for a railroad pass. Suppose for instance that a president of a railroad should go to the members of the Legislature or to the Lieutenant Governor and say to them; "my railroad wants you to accept from the treasury of my company a free donation, \$250.00 in cash." Would anybody then contend that it would be proper for such member of the Legislature to receive this gift from the railroad. However innocent of corrupt intention there might be on either the part of the railroad or the member of the Legislature, nobody would care to be represented in the Legislature by a member who had permitted the railroad to make in this manner a gift of money.

Now then what is the difference in accepting money and accepting a free pass which saves money? No matter from what angle we view the question we are still confronted with the fact that a free pass means free money, and the giving of that which it takes money to buy is just the same as giving the money itself.

This bill not only permits free transportation to members of the Legislature, but also permits it to the families of such members without respect to numbers. This would lead to abuses sure and certain. Either too many families would ride that ought not be permitted to ride, or the railroads would be required to carry too many such families against their will. If it was done with the approval of the railroads then they would expect in some way to get returns for such free service. If it was done against their will then by official intimidation they would be forced to give their services without consideration. It would likely be that free pass might destroy free membership in the Legislature.

On the broad ground of public policy I can not see my way to let this

bill become a law, and for that reason it is disapproved and vetoed, and it is so entered.

MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor of Texas.

Senate Bill No. 310.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

S. B. No. 310, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 10 of Chapter 68 of the General Laws passed by the Thirty-eighth Legislature at the Regular Session, page 131, so as to abolish the office of district attorney for the counties of Travis and Williamson; to create the office of district attorney of the Fifty-third Judicial District, and providing for the duties of the county attorney of Williamson County, and fix the compensation of such district and county attorneys.

The bill was read third time and passed finally.

Senate Bill No. 249.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

S. B. No. 249, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 186 of Chapter 23, of the Acts of the Thirty-sixth Legislature of the State of Texas, known as the Negotiable Instrument Act, by adding thereto the following: 'And in no event shall the bank be held liable for any loss occasioned by the negligence of the drawer of a check so drawn in a manner to be easily changed and difficult to detect,' and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and passed finally.

Senate Bill No. 207.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

S. B. No. 207, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the commissioners' court of the various counties of the State of Texas to employ one or more nurses for the purpose of assisting in the promotion of public health and visiting and inspecting the pupils of the public schools and to appropriate public funds in payment thereof."

The bill was read third time and passed finally.

Senate Bill No. 262.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

S. B. No. 262, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2820, Title

48, Chapter 15, Revised Statutes 1911, providing for official ballots and other supplies to be furnished in school trustee elections, providing for returns of said elections to be made to the county judge, providing for canvassing said returns and issuing commissions, repealing all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Bailey.	Parnell.
Berkeley.	Parr.
Bowers.	Pollard.
Davis.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Hardin of Erath.	Strong.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Triplett.
Moore of Hunt.	Witt.
Moore of Cooke.	Wood.
Murphy.	Woodward.

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Russek.
Holbrook.	Smith.
Miller.	Wirtz.

Absent—Excused.

Lewis.	Ward.
Stuart.	

S. J. R. No. 15.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

S. J. R. No. 15, A joint resolution "Proposing an amendment to Article 16 of the State Constitution by adding thereto a new section to be known as Section 30b, providing that cities of more than one hundred thousand inhabitants may increase the tenure of officers of their city to four years by vote of the inhabitants of such cities, fixing the time for holding the election, and making appropriation therefor."

Senator Moore of Hunt offered the following amendment, which was adopted by unanimous consent:

Amend S. J. R. No. 15, as printed on page 542 of Senate Journal by striking out the words "of over one hundred thousand inhabitants" wherever it occurs therein, both in Caption and body of same.

The resolution was read third time and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Bailey.	Bowers.
Berkeley.	Davis.

Fairchild.	Price.
Floyd.	Real.
Hardin of Erath.	Reid.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Strong.
Moore of Hunt.	Triplett.
Moore of Cooke.	Witt.
Murphy.	Wood.
Parnell.	Woodward.
Pollard.	

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Russek.
Holbrook.	Smith.
Miller.	Wirtz.
Parr.	

Absent—Excused.

Lewis.	Ward.
Stuart.	

S. J. R. No. 7.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

S. J. R. No. 7, A joint resolution "Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas by amending Section 33 and Section 40 of Article 16 of the Constitution of Texas so as to permit officers of the National Guard, the National Guard Reserve, and the Officers Reserve Corps of the United States, and enlisted men of the National Guard, the National Guard Reserve, and the Organized Reserves of the United State to hold public office in Texas."

The bill was read third time and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Bailey.	Parnell.
Berkeley.	Pollard.
Bowers.	Price.
Davis.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Floyd.	Strong.
Hardin of Erath.	Triplett.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.
Murphy.	

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Russek.
Holbrook.	Smith.
Miller.	Wirtz.
Parr.	

Absent—Excused.

Lewis.	Ward.
Stuart.	

Senate Bill No. 234.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

S. B. No. 234, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 6171j of

Title 103 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, relating and pertaining to assignments, mortgages and power of attorneys to collect salaries or wages, and requiring such assignments, mortgages or power of attorneys to be signed and duly acknowledged by the employer; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and passed finally.

Senate Bill No. 250.

The Chair laid before the Senate, and second reading,

S. B. No. 250, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and establishing Alvin Independent School District, in Brazoria County, Texas, defining and describing it by metes and bounds, providing for the government thereof, providing for it to assume the outstanding school contracts and indebtedness applicable to the territory so included, vesting in it the title to all school property situated in the territory so included, ratifying and continuing in force the school taxes heretofore voted in said territory; validating local school taxes heretofore levied and assessed against the property situated therein; providing for the extension of boundaries, and declaring an emergency."

The Committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Bailey, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 250 put on it third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Bailey.	Parnell.
Berkeley.	Pollard.
Bowers.	Price.
Davis.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Floyd.	Strong.
Hardin of Erath.	Triplett.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.
Murphy.	

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Russek.
Holbrook.	Smith.
Miller.	Wirtz.
Parr.	

Absent—Excused.

Lewis	Ward.
Stuart.	

S. B. No. 250 was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Bailey.	Parnell.
Berkeley.	Pollard.
Bowers.	Price.
Davis.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Floyd.	Strong.
Hardin of Erath.	Triplett.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.
Murphy.	

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Russek.
Holbrook.	Smith.
Miller.	Wirtz.
Parr.	

Absent—Excused.

Lewis.	Ward.
Stuart.	

Senate Bill No. 344.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 344, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Franklin Independent School District in Robertson County, Texas; validating all levies of taxes and contracts made in behalf of the existing Franklin Independent School District; continuing in office the board of trustees of said independent district; providing for the maximum rate of taxation; for the issuance of bonds and the maintenance of the public free schools; repealing all laws in conflict with the provisions of this Act, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Bowers, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was

suspended and S. B. No. 344 put on its third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Bailey.	Parnell.
Berkeley.	Pollard.
Bowers.	Price.
Davis.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Floyd.	Strong.
Hardin of Erath.	Triplett.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.
Murphy.	

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Russek.
Holbrook.	Smith.
Miller.	Wirtz.
Parr.	

Absent—Excused.

Lewis.	Ward.
Stuart.	

S. B. No. 344 was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Bailey.	Parnell.
Berkeley.	Pollard.
Bowers.	Price.
Davis.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Floyd.	Strong.
Hardin of Erath.	Triplett.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.
Murphy.	

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Russek.
Holbrook.	Smith.
Miller.	Wirtz.
Parr.	

Absent—Excused.

Lewis.	Ward.
Stuart.	

Senate Bill No. 341.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 341, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Chapter 8 of the Local and Special Laws of the Third Called Session of the Thirty-eighth Legislature of the State of Texas, creating the Woodson Independent School District in Throckmorton and Stephens Counties, Texas, so as to

reduce the territory included in and redefine the boundaries of said Woodson Independent School District; providing for a board of trustees in said district; conferring upon said district and its board of trustees all the rights, powers, privileges and duties now conferred and imposed by the General Laws of Texas upon independent school districts and the boards of trustees thereof; providing that the present board of trustees continue in office until the expiration of their respective terms; providing that the outstanding bonded indebtedness of all school districts or parts thereof included within the bounds of said district shall remain chargeable against the territory which voted the same, and providing that the district as herein created may assume such outstanding bonded indebtedness; prohibiting the district as herein established from selling any of the bonds voted by the Woodson Independent School District as created by said Chapter 8 of the Local and Special Laws of the Third Called Session of the Thirty-eighth Legislature of the State of Texas; providing for the repeal of all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was laid on the table, subject to call.

Senate Bill No. 339.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 339, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 1, Chapter 9, Special Laws of the Thirty-eighth Legislature, Regular Session, being entitled 'An Act creating the Rock-springs Independent School District in Edwards County, Texas; defining the metes and bounds; providing a board of trustees therefor, for raising revenue, issuing bonds; vesting it with the rights, powers and duties of districts incorporated for school purposes only under the General Laws of the State of Texas; providing for an election to assume the outstanding bonds of the Rock-springs Common School District, and declaring an emergency,' so that the said above recited section shall hereafter read as herein set out; and adding a new section to said Act to be known as Section 2a, validating the bonds of said Rocksprings Independent School District, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Berkeley, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 339 put on its third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Bailey.	Parnell.
Berkeley.	Pollard.
Bowers.	Price.
Davis.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Floyd.	Strong.
Hardin of Erath.	Triplett.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.
Murphy.	

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Parr.
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Absent—Excused.

Holbrook.	Smith.
Lewis.	Stuart.
Miller.	Ward.
Russek.	Wirtz.

S. B. No. 339 was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Bailey.	Parnell.
Berkeley.	Pollard.
Bowers.	Price.
Davis.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Floyd.	Strong.
Hardin of Erath.	Triplett.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.
Murphy.	

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Parr.
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Absent—Excused.

Holbrook.	Smith.
Lewis.	Stuart.
Miller.	Ward.
Russek.	Wirtz.

Senate Bill No. 321.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 321, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create and establish the

Richmond Independent School District in Fort Bend County, Texas, including therein the territory of the present Richmond Independent District as incorporated under the General Laws; providing a board of trustees for the said district, and conferring upon the board of trustees the rights, powers and duties prescribed by General Law for independent school district trustees; validating current contracts, indebtedness and tax levies of the present Richmond Independent District as the valid and subsisting contracts, indebtedness and taxes of the district as hereby created, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Bailey, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 321 put on its third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Bailey.	Parnell.
Berkeley.	Pollard.
Bowers.	Price.
Davis.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Floyd.	Strong.
Hardin of Erath.	Triplett.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.
Murphy.	

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Russek.
Holbrook.	Smith.
Miller.	Wirtz.
Parr.	

Absent—Excused.

Lewis.	Ward.
Stuart.	

S. B. No. 321 was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Bailey.	Hardin of Kaufman.
Berkeley.	Moore of Hunt.
Bowers.	Moore of Cooke.
Davis.	Murphy.
Fairchild.	Parnell.
Floyd.	Pollard.
Hardin of Erath.	Price.

Real.	Witt.
Reid.	Wood.
Strong.	Woodward.
Triplett.	

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Russek.
Holbrook.	Smith.
Miller.	Wirtz.
Parr.	

Absent—Excused.

Lewis.	Ward.
Stuart.	

Message from the House.

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 21, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills:

H. B. No. 50, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating the Klondike Independent School District in Dawson County, Texas, out of territory now composing Common School District No. 26, in said county; defining its boundaries; providing for a board of trustees thereof, and defining their powers and authority; authorizing said board of trustees to levy, assess and collect taxes for maintenance and building purposes and to issue bonds therefor, and providing that said Klondike Independent School District shall assume all the obligations and indebtedness of said Common School District No. 26, vesting title to property of said Common School District No. 26 in Klondike Independent School District; providing for an assessor and collector of taxes thereof, and providing for the election and terms of office of trustees thereof, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 101, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a permanent Text-Book Commission for the State of Texas, to be styled 'The Texas State Text-Book Commission'; defining its membership and appointment; authorizing the adoption of a system of uniform text books in this State; providing the manner in which revisions of adopted texts may be made, etc."

H. B. No. 374, A bill to be entitled "An Act making it unlawful for the commissioners' court of McCulloch, San Saba and Lampasas counties to pay out of the general fund of such counties bounties for the destruction

of predatory animals; providing that on petition of two hundred free holders the commissioners' court of such county may provide amount of bounty; and prescribing manner of payment, and declaring an emergency."

The House concurred in Senate amendments to H. B. No. 79.

Respectfully submitted,

C. L. PHINNEY,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

Bill Ordered Not Printed.

Senator Parnell moved that S. B. No. 352 be ordered not printed.

The motion was adopted.

Senate Bill No. 87.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 87, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend road laws for Bell County that the same may hereafter read as follows: 'An Act providing more efficient road laws for Bell County, conferring on the commissioners' court of Bell County control of all roads, bridges, drains, ditches, culverts and all works incident to same; providing for the adoption of rules governing same, their alteration or amendment; providing for the abolishment of the office ex-officio road commissioner, etc.'"

On motion of Senator Moore of Erath, the bill was laid on the table subject to call.

Senate Bill No. 204.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 204, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 9, of Title 119, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, so as to authorize certain counties to construct or participate in constructing bridges across rivers which constitute in whole or in part a boundary line of Texas, and to issue bonds and vote taxes to provide funds for such construction, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Price, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 204 put on its third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Bailey.	Parnell.
Berkeley.	Pollard.
Bowers.	Price.
Davis.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Floyd.	Strong.
Hardin of Erath.	Triplett.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.
Murphy.	

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Russek.
Holbrook.	Smith.
Miller.	Wirtz.
Parr.	

Absent—Excused.

Lewis.	Ward.
Stuart.	

S. B. No. 204 was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Bailey.	Murphy.
Berkeley.	Parnell.
Bowers.	Pollard.
Davis.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Hardin of Erath.	Strong.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Triplett.
Miller.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Russek.
Holbrook.	Smith.
Parr.	Wirtz.

Absent—Excused.

Lewis.	Ward.
Stuart.	

Senate Bill No. 253.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 253, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the commissioners' court of Wichita County, Texas, to contract and agree with the proper authorities of the State of Oklahoma for the construction of a public bridge across Red River at some point on the north line of Wichita County, Texas, and to authorize said commissioners' court of Wichita County, Texas, out of the

road and bridge funds of said county to pay not more than twenty-five per cent of the cost of construction and maintenance, and to authorize the issuance of bonds or warrants for said purpose, and to provide that the said bridge, when constructed, shall be a part of the public highways of the State of Texas, and to authorize the appropriation of funds by the said Highway Commission to aid in the construction and maintenance thereof, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Parnell, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 253 put on its third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas--22.

Bailey.	Murphy.
Berkeley.	Parnell.
Bowers.	Pollard.
Davis.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Hardin of Erath.	Strong.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Triplett.
Miller.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Russek.
Holbrook.	Smith.
Parr.	Wirtz.

Absent—Excused.

Lewis.	Ward.
Stuart.	

S. B. No. 253 was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas--22.

Bailey.	Murphy.
Berkeley.	Parnell.
Bowers.	Pollard.
Davis.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Hardin of Erath.	Strong.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Triplett.
Miller.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Russek.
Holbrook.	Smith.
Parr.	Wirtz.

Absent—Excused.

Lewis.	Ward.
Stuart.	

Senate Bill No. 254.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading.

S. B. No. 254, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the commissioners' court of Wilbarger County, Texas, to contract and agree with the proper authorities of the State of Oklahoma for the construction of a public bridge across Red River at some point on the north line of Wilbarger County, Texas, out of the road and bridge funds of said county to pay not more than twenty-five per cent of the cost of construction and maintenance, and to authorize the issuance of bonds and warrants for said purpose and to provide that the said bridge, when constructed, shall be a part of the public highways of the State of Texas, and to authorize the appropriation of funds by the said Highway Commission to aid in the construction and maintenance thereof, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Parnell, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 254 put on its third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas--22.

Bailey.	Murphy.
Berkeley.	Parnell.
Bowers.	Pollard.
Davis.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Hardin of Erath.	Strong.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Triplett.
Miller.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Russek.
Holbrook.	Smith.
Parr.	Wirtz.

Absent—Excused.

Lewis. Ward.
Stuart.

S. B. No. 254 was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Bailey.	Murphy.
Berkeley.	Parnell.
Bowers.	Pollard.
Davis.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Hardin of Erath.	Strong.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Triplett.
Miller.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Russek.
Holbrook.	Smith.
Parr.	Wirtz.

Absent—Excused.

Lewis. Ward.
Stuart.

Senate Bill No. 260.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 260, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 1, Chapter 12, Special Laws of the Thirty-eighth Legislature, Third Called Session, being entitled 'An Act creating the Imperial Independent School District in Pecos County, Texas; defining its boundaries; providing for a board of trustees; conferring upon said district the rights, powers, privileges and duties now conferred and imposed by the General Laws of the State on independent school districts and the board of trustees thereof; providing for the division of the funds and taxes held by and due to Buena Vista Independent School District, and declaring an emergency,' so that the said above recited section shall hereafter read as herein set out, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Berkeley, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 260 put on its third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Bailey.	Murphy.
Berkeley.	Parnell.
Bowers.	Pollard.
Davis.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Hardin of Erath.	Strong.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Triplett.
Miller.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Russek.
Holbrook.	Smith.
Parr.	Wirtz.

Absent—Excused.

Lewis. Ward.
Stuart.

S. B. No. 260 was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Bailey.	Murphy.
Berkeley.	Parnell.
Bowers.	Pollard.
Davis.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Hardin of Erath.	Strong.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Triplett.
Miller.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Russek.
Holbrook.	Smith.
Parr.	Wirtz.

Absent—Excused.

Lewis. Ward.
Stuart.

Senate Bill No. 273.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 273, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Tavenner Independent School District in Fort Bend County, Texas; defining its boundaries; providing for a board of trustees in said independent district and conferring upon said district and its board of trustees the rights, powers, privileges and duties now conferred and imposed by the General Laws of the State upon independent school districts and the board of trustees

thereof; providing for the election of trustees; for the raising of revenues; issuing bonds, building and maintaining of schoolhouses, maintaining public free school; declaring valid the maintenance tax heretofore voted and bonds issued by said district; providing for the collection of the present maintenance tax levy; vesting the title to all moneys and property of Tavenor Common School District No. 29 in the Tavenor Independent School District; providing for the assessment and collection of taxes in said district, and creating an emergency."

The Committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Bailey, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 273 put on its third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Bailey.	Murphy.
Berkeley.	Parnell.
Bowers.	Pollard.
Davis.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Hardin of Erath.	Strong.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Triplett.
Miller.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Russek.
Holbrook.	Smith.
Parr.	Wirtz.

Absent—Excused.

Lewis.	Ward.
Stuart.	

S. B. No. 273 was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Bailey.	Murphy.
Berkeley.	Parnell.
Bowers.	Pollard.
Davis.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Hardin of Erath.	Strong.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Triplett.
Miller.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Russek.
Holbrook.	Smith.
Parr.	Wirtz.

Absent—Excused.

Lewis.	Ward.
Stuart.	

Senate Bill No. 285.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 285, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for McLennan County, Texas, making county commissioners of said county ex-officio road commissioners and prescribing their duties as such, and providing for their expenses and compensation as road commissioners, and defining the powers and duties of such county commissioners, providing for the working of county convicts on the public roads of said county; providing for officers, fees and rewards and penalties for said convicts, and rewards for the capture of escaped convicts; providing for the employment of a county road superintendent of said county, fixing the salary of said road superintendent, defining his duties as such road superintendent; providing for the employment of road keepers in said county and the defining of their duties; providing for eminent domain in the opening, widening, laying out, and straightening of public highways, and in securing material for the construction or maintenance of public highways in McLennan County, repealing all laws requiring road or street duty, fixing penalties for the violation of this Act, repealing all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The Committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Witt, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 285 put on its third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Bailey.	Fairchild.
Berkeley.	Floyd.
Bowers.	Hardin of Erath.
Davis.	Hardin of Kaufman.

Miller.	Real.
Moore of Hunt	Reid.
Moore of Cooke.	Strong.
Murphy.	Triplett.
Parnell.	Witt.
Pollard.	Wood.
Price.	Woodward.

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Russek.
Holbrook.	Smith.
Parr.	Wirtz.

Absent—Excused.

Lewis.	Ward.
Stuart.	

S. B. No. 285 was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Bailey.	Murphy.
Berkeley.	Parnell
Bowers.	Pollard.
Davis.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Hardin of Erath.	Strong.
Hardin of Kaufman	Triplett.
Miller.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Parr.
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Absent—Excused.

Holbrook.	Stuart.
Lewis.	Ward.
Russek.	Wirtz.
Smith.	

Senate Bill No. 299.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 299, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and establishing the El Sauz Independent School District in Willacy County, Texas, defining its boundaries, providing for the election and qualification of trustees thereof, and vesting said district with the rights, powers, duties, and privileges of districts incorporated under the General Laws for free school purposes, and declaring an emergency."

The Committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Wood, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 299 put on its third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Bailey.	Murphy.
Berkeley.	Parnell
Bowers.	Pollard.
Davis.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Hardin of Erath.	Strong.
Hardin of Kaufman	Triplett.
Miller.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Parr.
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Absent—Excused.

Holbrook.	Stuart.
Lewis.	Ward.
Russek.	Wirtz.
Smith.	

S. B. No. 299 was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Bailey.	Murphy.
Berkeley.	Parnell.
Bowers.	Pollard.
Davis.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Hardin of Erath.	Strong.
Hardin of Kaufman	Triplett.
Miller.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Parr.
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Absent—Excused.

Holbrook.	Stuart.
Lewis.	Ward.
Russek.	Wirtz.
Smith.	

Senate Bill No. 300.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 300, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and establishing the Santa Gertrudis Independent School District in Kleberg County, Texas, defining its boundaries, pro-

viding for the election and qualification of trustees thereof, and vesting said district with the rights, powers, duties and privileges of districts incorporated under the General Law for free school purposes, and declaring an emergency."

The Committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Davis, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 300 put on its third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Bailey.	Murphy.
Berkeley.	Parnell.
Bowers.	Pollard.
Davis.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Hardin of Erath.	Strong.
Hardin of Kaufman	Triplett.
Miller.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Parr.
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Absent—Excused.

Holbrook.	Stuart.
Lewis.	Ward.
Russek.	Wirtz.
Smith.	

S. B. No. 300 was laid before the Senate read third time, and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Bailey.	Murphy.
Berkeley.	Parnell.
Bowers.	Pollard.
Davis.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Hardin of Erath.	Strong.
Hardin of Kaufman	Triplett.
Miller.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Parr.
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Absent—Excused.

Holbrook.	Stuart.
Lewis.	Ward.
Russek.	Wirtz.
Smith.	

Senate Bill No. 249.

Senator Price moved to reconsider the vote by which S. B. No. 249 was finally passed.

The motion was adopted.

Senate Bill No. 317.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 317, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and establishing the Laureles Independent School District in Kleberg County, Texas, defining its boundaries, providing for the election and qualifications of trustees thereof, and vesting said district with the rights, powers, duties and privileges of districts incorporated under the General Laws for free school purposes, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Wood, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 317 put on its third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Bailey.	Murphy.
Berkeley.	Parnell.
Bowers.	Pollard.
Davis.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Hardin of Erath.	Strong.
Hardin of Kaufman	Triplett.
Miller.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Wirtz.
Parr.	

Absent—Excused.

Holbrook.	Smith.
Lewis.	Stuart.
Russek.	Ward.

S. B. No. 317 was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Bailey.	Murphy.
Berkeley.	Parnell.
Bowers.	Pollard.
Davis.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Hardin of Erath.	Strong.
Hardin of Kaufman	Triplett.
Miller.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.

Absent.

Bledsoe. Parr.

Absent—Excused.

Holbrook.	Stuart.
Lewis.	Ward.
Russek.	Wirtz.
Smith.	

Senate Bill No. 335.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 335, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Asherton Independent School District in Dimmit County, Texas; defining its boundaries; providing for a board of trustees in said district; conferring upon said district and its board of trustees all the rights and powers, privileges, duties and liabilities now conferred and imposed by the General Laws of Texas upon independent school districts and the board of trustees thereof; declaring that all taxes or bonds heretofore authorized by Asherton Common School District No. 2 of Dimmit County, Texas, shall remain in full force and effect, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Wood, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 335 put on its third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Bailey.	Fairchild.
Berkeley.	Floyd.
Bowers.	Hardin of Erath.
Davis.	Hardin of Kaufman

Miller.	Real.
Moore of Hunt.	Reid.
Moore of Cooke.	Strong.
Murphy.	Triplett.
Parnell.	Witt.
Pollard.	Wood.
Price.	Woodward.

Absent.

Bledsoe. Parr.

Absent—Excused.

Holbrook.	Stuart.
Lewis.	Ward.
Russek.	Wirtz.
Smith.	

S. B. No. 335 was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Bailey.	Murphy.
Berkeley.	Parnell.
Bowers.	Pollard.
Davis.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Hardin of Erath.	Strong.
Hardin of Kaufman	Triplett.
Miller.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.

Absent.

Bledsoe. Parr.

Absent—Excused.

Holbrook.	Stuart.
Lewis.	Ward.
Russek.	Wirtz.
Smith.	

Senate Bill No. 328.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 328, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Rosenberg Independent School District in Fort Bend County, Texas; defining its metes and bounds, including the territory of the former Rosenberg Independent School District heretofore created under the General Laws of this State, and that certain territory added thereto by special Act of the Thirty-fifth Legislature; providing a board of trustees therefor, which shall manage and control the affairs of the district; vesting the district and the board of trustees thereof with rights, powers, duties and privileges of an independent school

districts incorporated for public free school purposes only, providing that the outstanding bonded indebtedness of the district shall remain in force and effect against the territory which voted same; providing that the board of trustees of the district as created by this Act, may, without being petitioned, order an election to determine whether the district as a whole shall assume the outstanding indebtedness; providing that the local maintenance and other tax heretofore voted shall be continued in force and effect until such time as the same may be changed by the qualified voters of the district; validating a certain bond issue and the election authorizing same; authorizing the board of trustees to perform all acts necessary to issue said bonds and providing sufficient tax therefor; providing that if any clause or provision of this Act be declared unconstitutional, such action by the court shall not invalidate the remaining provisions thereof, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Bailey, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 328 put on its third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Bailey.	Murphy
Berkeley.	Parnell.
Bowers.	Pollard.
Davis.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Hardin of Erath.	Strong.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Triplett.
Miller.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Parr.
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Absent—Excused.

Holbrook.	Stuart.
Lewis.	Ward.
Russek.	Wirtz.
Smith.	

S. B. No. 328 was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Bailey.	Murphy.
Berkeley.	Parnell.
Bowers.	Pollard.
Davis.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Hardin of Erath.	Strong.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Triplett.
Miller.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Parr.
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Absent—Excused.

Holbrook.	Stuart.
Lewis.	Ward.
Russek.	Wirtz.
Smith.	

House Bills on First Reading.

The following House Bills were laid before the Senate, read severally first time and referred to appropriate committees:

H. B. No. 374, referred to Committee on State Affairs.

H. B. No. 50, referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

H. B. No. 101, referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

Senate Bill No. 337.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 337, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 155 of the Acts of the Thirty-fourth Legislature as amended by Chapter 23 of the Acts of the Thirty-fifth Legislature and to amend Subdivisions 9, 75 and 80 of Article 30, Title 5 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, and to amend Chapter 104 of the laws passed by the Thirty-eighth Legislature approved March 31, 1923, and to reorganize the Seventy-fifth Judicial District of Texas and remove therefrom the county of Montgomery; and to reorganize the Ninth Judicial District of Texas and remove therefrom the counties of Hardin and Liberty, and to add thereto the county of Waller, and to remove said county of Walker from the Eightieth Judicial District of the State of Texas, and fixing the time of holding court in said Seventy-fifth, Ninth and Eightieth Judicial Districts, and providing for the continuance in office of the present

district judges and district attorneys within certain limits, and validating process, bonds, recognizances and decrees issued and rendered under existing arrangements; and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Murphy, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 337 put on its third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Bailey.	Murphy.
Berkeley.	Parnell.
Bowers.	Pollard.
Davis.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Hardin of Erath.	Strong.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Triplett.
Miller.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.

Absent.

Bledsoe. Parr.

Absent—Excused.

Holbrook.	Stuart.
Lewis.	Ward.
Russek.	Wirtz.
Smith.	

S. B. No. 337 was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed finally.

Senate Bill No. 361.

On motion of Senator Wood, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 361 put on its second reading, by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Bailey.	Murphy.
Berkeley.	Parnell.
Bowers.	Pollard.
Davis.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Hardin of Erath.	Strong.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Triplett.
Miller.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.

Absent.

Bledsoe. Parr.

Absent—Excused.

Holbrook.	Stuart.
Lewis.	Ward.
Russek.	Wirtz.
Smith.	

The Senate rule requiring committee reports to lay over for one day was suspended.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 361, A bill to be entitled "An Act to permit the catching of sucker, buffalo, carp and shad during the months of July, August and September in the counties of Burnet and Williamson; prescribing a penalty, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Wood, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 361 put on its third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Bailey.	Murphy.
Berkeley.	Parnell.
Bowers.	Pollard.
Davis.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Hardin of Erath.	Strong.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Triplett.
Miller.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.

Absent.

Bledsoe. Parr.

Absent—Excused.

Holbrook.	Stuart.
Lewis.	Ward.
Russek.	Wirtz.
Smith.	

S. B. No. 361 was laid before the Senate, read third time and passed finally.

Senate Bill No. 352.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 352, A bill to be entitled "An Act for the protection of fish in, and for the regulation of the catching and taking fish in, and for the prohibiting of the sale, barter and purchase of fish taken in the waters which are located in the valley of the Big Wichita River from where the lower or diversion dam on the Big Wichita River is located, which was built by the Wichita County Water Improvement District No. 1, in the northeast corner of Archer County, Texas, and from said dam and above the same up the valley of the said Big Wichita River to the storage dam on the said river built by said Wichita County Water Improvement District No. 1 in Taylor County, Texas, and up the valley of said river from said storage dam as far as the waters by said storage dam are impounded in said river in Baylor County, Texas, or in any waters which are impounded in Archer County, Texas and in Taylor County, Texas, by said diversion dam, or in any water which is impounded in Baylor County, Texas, by said storage dam, or in any water in Lake Wichita in Wichita County, Texas, and in Archer County, Texas, or in any water impounded by the dam across Holliday Creek forming said Lake Wichita in Wichita County, Texas, or in any water in the Big Wichita River in Baylor County, Texas, connecting the big reservoir, or Lake Kemp, created by said storage dam, with the diversion reservoir, or Diversion Lake, formed in Baylor and Archer Counties, Texas, by said diversion dam, or in any waters of the irrigation canals connected with said Lake Kemp or said diversion dam, or in any water in laterals leading off from said canals in Baylor County, Texas, Archer County, Texas, Wichita County, Texas, or Wilbarger County, Texas, or in any water in Wichita County, Texas, or in Archer County, Texas, in the lateral, canal or drainage ditch leading from what is known as the South Canal out of said diversion lake from a point in said South Side Canal in Section 116, of Denton County School Lands, League No. 4, Wichita County, Texas, to Holliday Creek and thence down Holliday Creek to Lake Wichita in Wichita

and Archer Counties, Texas; and fixing penalties for the violation of this Act; and providing that the Game, Fish and Oyster Commissioner shall appoint not less than three deputies to be stationed on the waters described in this Act to enforce the provisions of this Act; and making it the duty of the district judges in the judicial districts in which the counties of Archer, Baylor, Wilbarger and Wichita are situated, to give a special charge upon this law to the grand juries of those counties; and providing that this Act shall be cumulative of the General Laws of the State of Texas; and providing that the holding unconstitutional or invalid of any provision of this Act by any court shall in no way effect the constitutionality and validity of the remainder of the Act, and declaring an emergency, and suspending the constitutional rule requiring a bill to be read on three several days in each house."

Senator Parnell offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend S. B. No. 352, by striking out all of Section ten (10).

The bill was read second time, and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Parnell, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 352 put on its third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Bailey.	Murphy.
Berkeley.	Parnell.
Bowers.	Pollard.
Davis.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Hardin of Erath.	Strong.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Triplett.
Miller.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Parr.
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Absent—Excused.

Holbrook.	Stuart.
Lewis.	Ward.
Russek.	Wirtz.
Smith.	

S. B. No. 352 was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed finally by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Bailey.	Murphy.
Berkeley.	Parnell.
Bowers.	Pollard.
Davis.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Hardin of Erath.	Strong.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Triplett.
Miller.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.

Absent.

Bledsoe. Parr.

Absent—Excused.

Holbrook.	Stuart.
Lewis.	Ward.
Russek.	Wirtz.
Smith.	

Senate Bill No. 132.

Senator Parnell called up from the table, and the Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 132, A bill to be entitled "An Act fixing the compensation of the official shorthand reporters in the Thirtieth, Seventy-eighth and Eighty-ninth Judicial Districts, of Wichita, Archer and Young Counties, Texas; prescribing the method of payment, and declaring an emergency."

Senator Parnell made the point of order that the pending amendments to the bill were not germane, and the Chair sustained the point of order.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Parnell, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 132 put on its third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Bailey.	Murphy.
Berkeley.	Parnell.
Bowers.	Pollard.
Davis.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Hardin of Erath.	Strong.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Triplett.
Miller.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.

Absent.

Bledsoe. Parr.

Absent—Excused.

Holbrook.	Stuart.
Lewis.	Ward.
Russek.	Wirtz.
Smith.	

S. B. No. 132 was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Bailey.	Murphy.
Berkeley.	Parnell.
Bowers.	Pollard.
Davis.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Hardin of Erath.	Strong.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Triplett.
Miller.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.

Absent.

Bledsoe. Parr.

Absent—Excused.

Holbrook.	Stuart.
Lewis.	Ward.
Russek.	Wirtz.
Smith.	

Senate Bill No. 320.

Senator Pollard asked unanimous consent to take up S. B. No. 320, and Senator Moore of Hunt objected.

Senator Pollard moved to take up, out of its order, S. B. No. 320, and Senator Moore of Hunt moved to table the motion, which motion to table was lost.

The motion to take the bill up was adopted, by the following vote:

Yeas—20.

Bailey.	Parnell.
Berkeley.	Pollard.
Bowers.	Price.
Davis.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Floyd.	Strong.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Triplett.
Miller.	Witt.
Moore of Cooke.	Wood.
Murphy	Woodward.

Nays—1.

Moore of Hunt.

Absent.

Bledsoe. Parr.
Hardin of Erath.

Absent—Excused.

Holbrook. Stuart.
Lewis. Ward.
Russek. Wirtz.
Smith.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 320, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 1 of an Act passed by the Thirty-fourth Legislature of Texas and approved March 22, 1915, creating the Ninth Supreme Judicial District of Texas, the same being Chapter 70, of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fourth Legislature, and to create the Tenth Supreme Judicial District of Texas, as amended by the Thirty-fourth Legislature, so as to take Wood County out of the Fifth Supreme Judicial District of Texas and add Wood County to the Sixth Supreme Judicial District of Texas."

Senator Pollard offered the following amendments, severally, which were read and adopted:

Amend S. B. No. 320 by taking Fayette County of the First Supreme Judicial District and adding it to the Third Supreme Judicial District, and amend caption to conform thereto.

Amend S. B. No. 320, by taking Van Zandt County out of the Fifth Supreme Judicial District and adding Van Zandt County to the Sixth Supreme Judicial District, and amend caption to conform thereto.

The Senate rule requiring committee reports to lay over for one day was suspended.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Pollard, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 320 put on its third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Bailey.	Parnell.
Berkeley.	Pollard.
Bowers.	Price.
Davis.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Floyd.	Strong.
Hardin of Erath.	Triplett.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Witt.
Miller.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.
Murphy	

Nays—1.

Moore of Hunt.

Absent.

Bledsoe. Parr.

Absent—Excused.

Holbrook. Stuart.
Lewis. Ward.
Russek. Wirtz.
Smith.

S. B. No. 320 was laid before the Senate, read third time and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Bailey.	Parnell.
Berkeley.	Pollard.
Bowers.	Price.
Davis.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Floyd.	Strong.
Hardin of Erath.	Triplett.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Witt.
Miller.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.
Murphy	

Nays—1.

Moore of Hunt.

Absent.

Bledsoe. Parr.

Absent—Excused.

Holbrook. Stuart.
Lewis. Ward.
Russek. Wirtz.
Smith.

Senate Bill No. 315.

(By Unanimous Consent.)

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 315, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the sale of the Shaw Farm located in northeast Texas, which is now owned by the State and is a part of the penitentiary system; providing that the funds realized from such sale shall be placed in the State Treasury, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Fairchild, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days

was suspended and S. B. No. 315 put on its third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Bailey.	Murphy
Berkeley.	Parnell.
Bowers.	Pollard.
Davis.	Price.
Fairchild.	Real.
Floyd.	Reid.
Hardin of Erath.	Strong.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Triplett.
Miller.	Witt.
Moore of Hunt.	Wood.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.

Absent.

Bledsoe. Parr.

Absent—Excused.

Holbrook.	Stuart.
Lewis.	Ward.
Russek.	Wirtz.
Smith.	

S. B. No. 315 was laid before the Senate, read third time and passed finally.

Senate Bill No. 110.

Senator Bowers called up from the table, and the Chair laid before the Senate,

S. B. No. 110, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 8, Chapter 119, of the General Laws of the State of Texas, passed by the Regular Session of the Thirty-second Legislature of the State of Texas, 1911, and as amended by Chapter 189 of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, 1917, and as amended by Chapter 27 of the First Called Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, 1917, and as amended by Chapter 79 of the Fourth Called Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, 1918, and as amended by Chapter 111 of the Regular Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, 1919, and as amended by Chapter 47 of the Third Called Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, 1920, relating to official shorthand reporters' compensation in certain counties and districts in this State; to provide for deputy shorthand porters; to provide methods of preparing transcripts of evidence, and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict with said section of said chapter herein amended, and declaring an emergency."

Pending.

Bills Signed.

The Chair, Lieutenant Governor Miller, gave notice of signing, and did sign, in the presence of the Senate, after their captions had been read, the following bills:

H. B. No. 107.
H. B. No. 147.
H. B. No. 364.
H. B. No. 19.

Adjournment.

Senator Wood, at 12:15 o'clock p. m., moved that the Senate adjourn until 10 o'clock Monday morning.

Senator Fairchild moved that the Senate recess until 2:30 o'clock today.

Action recurred on the longest time first and the motion to adjourn until Monday morning at 10 o'clock was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—12.

Bowers.	Pollard.
Hardin of Erath.	Price.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Real.
Miller.	Reid.
Moore of Cooke.	Strong.
Murphy.	Wood.

Nays—10.

Bailey.	Moore of Hunt.
Berkeley.	Parnell.
Davis.	Triplett.
Fairchild.	Witt.
Floyd.	Woodward.

Absent.

Bledsoe.

Absent—Excused.

Holbrook.	Smith.
Lewis.	Stuart.
Parr.	Ward.
Russek.	Wirtz.

APPENDIX.

Committee Reports.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 21, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred,

S. B. No. 264, A bill to be entitled "An Act making appropriations to cover deficiencies in appropriations heretofore made for the support of the State Government for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1925, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, with the following committee amendment:

Amend S. B. No. 264, beginning immediately after the following:

"State Highway Department

"For the purchase of passenger automobile plates and for commercial motor vehicle plates \$92,480.00"

By inserting the following: "Provided, that this appropriation for the sum of \$92,480.00 for the State Highway Department shall be paid out of the State Highway fund upon warrants issued by the State Comptroller as provided by Chapter 190, General Laws Regular Session, 1917, and amendments thereto."

DAVIS, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 21, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred,

H. B. No. 32, A bill to be entitled "An Act making an appropriation to pay the presidential electors of Texas; providing how it shall be made, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

DAVIS, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 21, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred,

S. B. No. 265, A bill to be entitled "An Act making appropriations to cover deficiencies in appropriations heretofore made for the support of the State Government for the fiscal years ending August 31, 1922, August 31, 1923, August 31, 1924, and August 31, 1925, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

DAVIS, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 19, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Judicial Districts, to whom was referred, S. B. No. 302, A bill to be entitled

"An Act reorganizing the State of Texas into supreme judicial districts for the purpose of constituting and organizing courts of civil appeals therein; creating the Twelfth Supreme Judicial District of Texas, with Greenville as the site of said court; providing for the appointment and qualification of the judges of said Twelfth Supreme Judicial District, and other officers thereof; providing for the transfer of cases and regulating appeals from the lower courts of the counties constituting said Twelfth Supreme District of Texas, providing an appropriation for the maintenance of said court, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

PRICE, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 19, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Judicial Districts, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 210, A bill to be entitled "An Act to increase the civil jurisdiction of the county court of Cochran County, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

PRICE, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 19, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Judicial Districts, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 329, A bill to be entitled "An Act repealing Chapter 8 of the General Laws of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

PRICE, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 19, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Judicial Districts, to whom was referred S. B. No. 263, A bill to be entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 74 of the Acts of the Thirty-eighth Legislature at its Regular Session entitled, 'An Act to amend Section 1 of an Act passed by the Thirty-fourth Legislature of Texas and approved March 22, 1915, creating the Ninth Supreme Judicial District of Texas, the same being Chapter 70 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fourth Legislature and to create the Tenth Supreme Judicial District of Texas and to provide for the organization of a court of civil appeals within said Tenth Supreme Judicial District and to repeal all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency,' and to create the Eleventh Supreme Judicial District of Texas, and to provide for the organization of a court of civil appeals within said Tenth Supreme Judicial District, and to repeal all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

PRICE, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 19, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Judicial Districts, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 294, A bill to be entitled "An Act changing the time of holding the terms of the district court in the One Hundredth Judicial District, and providing that all process and writs heretofore issued and all recognizances and bonds heretofore made and executed and returned to existing terms of district court in the counties composing said district, together with jurors heretofore selected are valid and returnable to the first term of such court after this Act takes effect, and providing for the continuation of the existing district courts in said counties in session when this Act takes effect to the end of their terms, repealing all conflicting laws, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

PRICE, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 21, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred S. B. No. 361, A bill to be entitled "An Act to permit the catching of sucker, buffalo, carp and shad during the months of July, August and September in the counties of Burnet and Williamson; prescribing a penalty, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and being a local bill, that it be not printed.

FLOYD, Chairman.

(Majority Report.)

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 19, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Judicial Districts, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 320, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 1 of an Act passed by the Thirty-fourth Legislature of Texas and approved March 22, 1915, creating the Ninth Supreme Judicial District of Texas, the same being Chapter 70 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fourth Legislature, and to create the Tenth Supreme Judicial District of Texas, as amended by the Thirty-fourth Legislature, so as to take Wood County out of the Fifth Supreme Judicial District and add Wood County to the Ninth Supreme Judicial District of Texas."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

PRICE, Chairman.

(Minority Report.)

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 20, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: I, a minority of your committee on Judicial Districts, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 302.

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

PRICE.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 21, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Engrossed Bills, have had S. B. No. 209 carefully examined and compared, and find same correctly engrossed.

STRONG, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 21, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Engrossed Bills, have had S. B. No. 214 carefully examined and compared, and find same correctly engrossed.

STRONG, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 21, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Engrossed Bills, have had S. J. R. No. 7 carefully examined and compared, and find same correctly engrossed.

STRONG, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 21, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Engrossed Bills, have had S. J. R. No. 15 carefully examined and compared, and find same correctly engrossed.

STRONG, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 21, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Engrossed Bills, have had S. B. No. 207 carefully examined and compared, and find same correctly engrossed.

STRONG, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 21, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Engrossed Bills, have had S. B. No. 262 carefully examined and compared, and find same correctly engrossed.

STRONG, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 21, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Engrossed Bills, have had S. B. No. 234 carefully examined and compared, and find same correctly engrossed.

STRONG, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 20, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Engrossed Bills, have had S. B. No. 249 carefully examined and compared, and find same correctly engrossed.

STRONG, Chairman.

Bills Ordered Printed in Journal.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 21, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Finance to whom was referred

S. B. No. 265,

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

DAVIS, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 19, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Judicial Districts, to whom was referred,

S. B. No. 263,

Have had same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass.

PRICE, Chairman.

(Minority Report.)

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 20, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: I, a minority of your Committee on Judicial Districts, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 302.

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back with the recommendation that it do not pass.

PRICE.

(Majority Report.)

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 19, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, a majority of your Committee on Judicial Districts, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 302.

Have had the same under consid-

eration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

PRICE, Chairman.

THIRTY-SECOND DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas,

Monday, February 23, 1925.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock a. m. pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Barry Miller.

The roll was called, a quorum being present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Bailey.	Parnell.
Berkeley.	Parr.
Bledsoe.	Pollard.
Bowers.	Price.
Davis.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Floyd.	Russek.
Hardin of Erath.	Strong.
Hardin of Kaufman	Stuart.
Holbrook.	Triplett.
Lewis.	Ward.
Miller.	Wirtz.
Moore of Hunt.	Witt.
Moore of Cooke.	Wood.
Murphy.	Woodward.

Absent.

Smith.

Prayer by Dr. Jewett.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, the same was dispensed with on motion of Senator Davis.

Bills Ordered Not Printed.

The Chair here announced that on account of an oversight that H. B. No. 32 and S. B. Nos. 265, 264, 302 and 263 had been printed in the Journal instead of in bill form, whereupon Senator Wood moved that the bills be not otherwise printed, which motion was adopted.

Bills and Resolutions.

By Senator Parnell:

S. B. No. 362, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing a method of serving citation in cases filed in the district and county courts of this State upon defendants who are residents or inhabitants of the State, in cases whereby reason of the defendants

concealing themselves, or other good reasons to be shown to the court by affidavit, or otherwise, the plaintiff is unable to secure service of citation of such defendant by the delivery of such citation to them in person, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Civil Jurisprudence.

By Senator Berkeley:

S. B. No. 363, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize owners of oil and gas permits and leases heretofore issued or hereafter issued on fresh water lakes to sell and transfer same as a whole or in tracts of not less than forty acres, and to authorize owners of oil and gas permits and leases heretofore issued or hereafter issued on river beds to sell and transfer same as a whole or in tracts of not less than two thousand six hundred forty linear feet following the meandering of such river; providing for recording transfers, filing same in the General Land Office; subdividing permits and leases upon payment of certain fees; providing for dissolution of combined permits and leases; appropriating fees to general revenue and public free school fund; providing for assignee to assume obligations of the original permittee or lessee on the area assigned, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Mining, Irrigation and Drainage.

By Senator Miller, by request:

S. B. No. 364, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that cities and towns under five thousand population shall have the power to appropriate property for public purposes, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on City, Towns and Corporations.

By Senator Holbrook:

S. B. No. 365, A bill to be entitled "An Act extending the boundaries of the Markham Independent School District, enlarging the same and defining its boundaries, and providing that the management and control of all public free schools within said enlarged district shall be vested in the present board of public school trustees of the Markham Independent School District and their succes-